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C O N F I D E N T I A L ALGIERS 1521

FOR CU/NEA

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SEDU, PFOR, AG, US

SUBJ: SCHOLARSHIP FOR SON OF ALGERIAN MILITARY ATTACHE

1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. SAFY BOUTELLA, THE 25 YEAR-OLD SON OF ALGERIAN MILITARY ATTACHE IN RABAT, LT. COL. MOHAMED BOUTELLA, HAS ASKED US FOR A SCHOLARSHIP TO THE BERKLEE COLLEGE OF MUSIC IN BOSTON. HE HAS APPLIED AND GAINED ADMISSION BUT TOLD THAT HE WOULD NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR A SCHOLARSHIP UNTIL HE HAD COMPLETED A YEAR THERE.

2. HE STUDIED ENGLISH AND MUSIC IN FRANCE FROM 1968 TO 1973 WHEN HE RETURNED TO ALGERIA TO SERVE HIS TWO-YEAR MILITARY COMMITMENT. HE HAS BEEN MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL GUARD BAND FOR ALL OR PART OF THIS PERIOD. HE IS A COMPOSER WHO MAY HAVE A HIT ALREADY. HE HAS WRITTEN MATERIAL WHICH WILL BE USED IN CONNECTION WITH THE FORTHCOMING MEDITERRANEAN GAMES.

3. WE HAVE TOLD BOUTELLA AND HIS FATHER THAT WE HAVE NO FUNDS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS BUT WOULD SEE WHETHER BERKLEE MIGHT BE ENCOURAGED TO RELAX ITS RULES. END UNCLAS.

4. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. COMMENT: BOUTELLA ONCE OCCUPIED A FAIRLY STRATEGIC POSITION HERE BUT HAS BEEN EXILED TO THE ATTACHE SERVICE SINCE 1968, HE IS POTENTIALLY A VERY USEFUL CONTACT AND WE WOULD LIKE TO DO WHAT WE CAN TO HELP HIM. END CONFIDENTIAL.

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5. BEGIN UNCLAS. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE

NEA/AFN OR CU'S CALLING BERKLEE SCHOOL TO SEE WHETHER THERE  
ANY POSSIBILITY MAKING EXCEPTION AND GIVING BOUTELLA AT  
LEAST PARTIAL SCHOLARSHIP FOR COMING YEAR. END UNCLAS.  
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